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Memorandum

To: Director (WO-200) (Room 5650, MIB)

From: State Director, Oregon/Washington

Subject: Environment and Natural Resource Assessments

Your Instruction Memorandum No. 95-34, dated November 23, 1994 was received in the Oregon State Office via electronic mail on December 6, 1994. Unfortunately, this coincided with a major snow event and our move to our new office location. Based on a conversation between Jane Yager, of your staff, and Eric Stone, we were given supplemental instructions to prepare response material and forward it by December 8, 1994. The attached reports and WordPerfect disk describe one or more assessments in each of our Districts and over a wide range of physical and political environments. Many are still in the final stages of completion, but are included because they reflect the evolving policy and emphasis on a broad geographic scale, often with substantial interagency involvement. Many of these had extensive scientific and university staff involvement. Although we did not describe the western Oregon/Washington "Forest Ecosystem Management Assessment Team" (FEMAT) process and products, we did describe it's "eastside" counterpart. We also included a few local assessments, as they are useful examples of the various levels of analysis used in the field.

We strongly support your memorandums preliminary finding that the Bureau routinely prepares assessments that are integrated across program lines, including appropriate cultural and ecological information. In our responses, the Eastside Ecosystem Management Plan (EEMP) is a classic example of a broad scale analysis where the subject area and potential decisions could have global impacts. We have included several Resource Management Plans as they are designed to incorporate all disciplines, but in analyses that are usually at the sub-regional level, with some national level interest, but few discernable global effects. The river or lake basin oriented plans are even less global in focus, but often stimulate strong tribal, State and local government involvement. Since they also deal with site-specific issues, there is a greater likelihood of scientific review and comment.

It is critical to note that we are not charged by law or policy with the preparation of assessments on "global change", but we do consider it our responsibility to consider global effects whenever the scope of the proposed action could support such an analysis. You should note our expectation that the EEMP will address global impacts. Conversely, toxic pollution is almost always the result of a point or project source, such as abandoned mine drainage, and subject to site specific analysis. Natural resource use and management can, and is, addressed at a variety of scales of analysis and decisionmaking. It might be worthwhile for the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources to spend some time in the EEMP Project Office, observing their process and learning more of our inter-departmental approach to the problems they hope to address. All of our assessment reports include the name and full telephone numbers of responsible field officials who can provide further information or sample documents. We appreciate the opportunity to provide a limited response to your request. Please keep us informed of both the Bureaus and the Departments success in explaining our strategy to the Committee.

Eric G. Hoffman
Acting Deputy State Director for
Lands and Renewable Resources

Attachments as stated

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM (10 Districts), USFS (4 Regions), EPA, USFWS, NMF, etc.

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Eastside Ecosystem Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: February 1994

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: Winter 1995 (FEIS), Spring 1996 (multiple BLM plan RODs)

AGENCY CONTACT: Pat Geehan, Walla Walla Project Office, 509-522-4033

MEANS BY WHICH ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: Fully integrated, interagency and interdisciplinary team with concurrent scientific/university teams and work groups; external review by universities, researchers, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: Presidential Order, FLPMA, NEPA, NFMA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policies, court cases, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Virtually continuous public review of various products, 120+ day review of draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and set goals for federal natural resources on 30 million acres
- Develop regional ecosystem strategy for the mid-Columbia River basin
- Addresses air quality from all strategies, including global effects
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as required
- Addresses water resource quality, quantity and beneficial uses, and applicable marine resources, including anadromous and resident fisheries to meet PACFISH issue
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Strongly emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- International, national, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified federal land ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decision-making process, it creates and incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single series of documents, which will be used to tier sub-regional and watershed level analyses. It is a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Roseburg District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Roseburg District Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Phil Hall, Roseburg DO, 503-440-4931 ext.242

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 425,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Coos Bay District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Coos Bay District Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Bob Gunther, Coos Bay DO, 503-756-9300 ext. 295

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 330,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Salem District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Salem District Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Bob Saunders, Salem DO, 503-375-5634

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirements, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 394,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Eugene District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Eugene District Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Don Wilbur, Eugene DO, 503-683-6427

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 317,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues, as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Medford District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Medford District Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Jim Keeton, Medford DO, 503-770-2251

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 867,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues, as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Lakeview District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: May 1989

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1994 (FEIS), Spring 1994 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Jim Vienop, Klamath Falls Resource Area, 503-883-4214

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day reviews of draft plan and supplement to draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 212,000 acres.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues, as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

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AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Burns District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Three Rivers Resource Area Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: September 1987

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: July 1992 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Cody Hanson, Burns DO, 503-573-4400

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by researchers, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirements, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 120 day review of draft plan, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 1,710,000 acres.
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal riparian resources including resident fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

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AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Prineville District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Brothers-LaPine Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: August 1986

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: July 1989 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Jim Hancock, Prineville DO, 503-447-4115

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving biodiversity policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 90 day review of draft plan, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 1,111,000 acres.
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues, as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal riparian resources including resident fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Spokane District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Spokane District Revised Resource Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: May 1989

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: December 1992 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Gary Yeager, Spokane DO, 509-536-1200

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 90 day review of draft plan, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 330,000 acres of BLM managed surface resources and over 9,000,000 acres of federal mineral estate under various agencies
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine and riparian resources including anadromous and resident fish resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, and enhanced interagency decision-making and monitoring and evaluation, as applicable
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Vale District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Northern Malheur Management Framework Plan Amendment for the Leslie Gulch Area of Critical Environmental Concern

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: December 1993

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: April 1994 (Proposed plan/EA/FONSI), Spring 1994 (DR)

AGENCY CONTACT: Ralph Heft, Vale DO, 503-473-3144

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by researchers, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 60 day review of draft plan and 30 days on proposed plan

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 12,000 acres with five candidate species, portions of several wilderness study areas, and California bighorn sheep
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable riparian resources including recreation and wilderness resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- Regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Lakeview District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: High Desert Management Framework Plan Amendment for the Proposed Lake Abert Area of Critical Environmental Concern/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: January 1994

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: November 1995 (estimated for FEIS), Winter 1996 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Paul Whitman, Lakeview DO, 503-947-2177

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 90 day review of draft plan (beginning February 1995), 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 100,000 acres, with emphasis on special status birds and plants, migratory waterfowl, a designated historic district and a major sodium leasing and economic development opportunity.
- Addresses air quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable riparian and saline lake resources including unique ecosystems and commodity resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- Regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Medford District

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Management Plan for the Hellgate Recreational Area of the Rogue Wild and Scenic River/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: December 1992

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: December 1995 (estimated FEIS), Winter 1996 (ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Mike Walker, Medford DO, 503-770-2279

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: internal interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, special contracted studies on potential impacts to fisheries, stream quality and landowners, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: FLPMA & NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving ecosystem policy, some court requirement, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Several 30-60 reviews during development, 90 day reviews of draft plan, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:

- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on approximately 8,000 acres along 47 miles of a federally designated component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System.
- Ties to regional assessment (FEMAT) on global change
- Addresses air water quality from all management actions with State review
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT issues, as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quantity, quality and beneficial uses, and applicable coastal marine resources including anadromous fish and wild and scenic river resources
- Addresses any known natural hazards, including floodplains, landslides, etc.
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, survey and manage direction, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all major natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?

The assessment fully addresses linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decisionmaking process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.

OREGON - WASHINGTON REPORTED ASSESSMENTS as of 12/07/94

AGENCY/AGENCIES: BLM, Prineville District, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, multiple State agencies, multiple counties and cities

ASSESSMENT TITLE: Lower Deschutes Wild and Scenic River Management Plan/EIS

DATE ASSESSMENT BEGAN: December 1988

DATE OF FINAL REPORT: February 1993 (BLM ROD)

AGENCY CONTACT: Shaaron Netherton, Prineville DO, 503-447-4115

MEANS BY WHICH THE ASSESSMENT WAS CONDUCTED: interagency interdisciplinary team, external review by universities, State and Federal agencies, tribes, etc.

JUSTIFICATION FOR UNDERTAKING THE ASSESSMENT: Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended, FLPMA, NEPA & ESA legal mandates, evolving river ecosystem policy, cooperative agreements, etc.

REVIEW MECHANISM FOR ASSESSMENT: Formal agreement between parties, several 30-60 day reviews during development, 120 day review of draft, 30 days on FEIS

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENT SCOPE, OBJECTIVE AND PRIMARY AUDIENCE:
- Analyzes and allocates natural resources on all ownerships within 100 mile river corridor
- Creates regional assessment
- Addresses air quality from all management actions
- Considers toxic and HAZMAT as anticipated
- Addresses water resource quality and beneficial uses and applicable marine resources including anadromous and resident fisheries
- Emphasizes biodiversity and ecosystem dynamics with adaptive management, especially for expected increases in human use, and enhanced interagency monitoring and evaluation
- Establishes allocations, goals, objectives, standards and guidelines for all river-related natural resource uses and management for the next 10-20 years
- National, regional and local audiences

IS THE ASSESSMENT INTEGRATED?
The assessment fully addresses both management and natural resource linkages and interactions of all identified ecological, economic and social interests. As a comprehensive and programmatic analysis and decision-making process, it incorporates supporting economic, ecological and cultural assessments into a single document series, which will be used to tier future, more site specific analyses, as required. It is considered a fully integrated assessment.